

# **Inflation**

## **Module 13**

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# The 7 Steps of Cost Estimating

- ① Define and Plan
- ② Specify Estimating Methodology
- ③ Calculate -- Including What-ifs & Alternatives
- ④ Time Phase in Base Year Dollars
- ⑤ **Inflate to Then Year Dollars**
- ⑥ Wrap Up Documentation
- ⑦ Complete Final Reviews

# Inflate the Cost Estimate

- Take the time phased results expressed in Base Year dollars by Fiscal Year
- Apply the appropriate weighted inflation indices
- The results are the Then Year dollars to be used to support budget submissions and exercises

# Inflation

AFI 65-502 defines inflation as an “increase in the amount of currency in circulation that results in an increase in the general level of prices.”

- Inflationary trends are manifested in cost of living pay increases - the employee has the same purchasing potential as the year before - larger check but not any better off - to counter inflation

# Economic Inflation Theories

## Demand-Pull

- the money supply increases more rapidly than the overall supply of goods & services resulting in excess demand which increases the general price level

## Cost-Push

- prices are increased proactively to avoid any losses due to the expected deflated value of money

# Budget Considerations

- Appropriation (APPN)
  - sometimes called “the color of money”
- Incremental Funding
  - all RDT&E, 3600 APPN
- Full Funding
  - Procurement APPNs: 3010/20/80

# Terminology

## Base Year

- point of reference for a fixed price level
- usually the FY the program was initially funded

## Constant Year

- any specific year representing a fixed price level
- may or may not be the Base Year

## Then Year

- any specific FY containing the Total Obligation Authority

# Raw Inflation

## Raw Inflation Rate

- a percentage showing the change in prices from the mid-point of one year to that of the next year

## Raw Inflation Indices

- provide a means of compounding inflation rates from a Base Year which is assigned a raw inflation index of 1.00
- used to convert from CY or BY dollars of one year to CY or BY dollars of another year

# Raw (Compound) Index for FY97

FY	Calculation	Raw Inflation Indices
94	$(1.0/1.028)/1.025/1.006$	.943
95	$(1.0/1.028)/1.025$	.949
96	$1.0/1.028$	.972
97	BY assigned value of 1.0	1.000
98	$1.0 * 1.021$	1.021
99	$(1.0 * 1.021) * 1.021$	1.042
00	$(1.0 * 1.021) * 1.021 * 1.021$	1.064
01	$(1.0 * 1.021) * 1.021 * 1.021 * 1.022$	1.087

# Weighted Inflation Indices

- Combine raw inflation indices and expenditure profiles to show the amount of inflation occurring over the entire period needed to expend the TOA.
- Are used for all Then Year dollar computations in budget submissions such as the POM or BES.

# OSD Outlay Rates (Dec96)

## Fiscal Year 97 and Beyond

APPN	YR1	YR2	YR3	YR4	YR5	YR6
3400 O&M	40.66	47.3	6.57	5.47		
3600 RDT&E	45.88	38.76	9.4	3.76	2.2	
3010 Aircraft Proc-other	7.9	24.1	32.9	19.8	8.5	6.8
3020 Missile Proc-other	25.15	30.8	22.8	13.35	5.45	2.45
3080 Other Proc	48.3	23.4	14.3	7.0	5.0	2.0
3300 MILCON - AF	10.8	35.0	29.0	15.0	5.0	5.2

Percent of TOA expended in each year

# A Weighted Inflation Index is Constructed by . . .

- Deriving the raw indices (as in slide 9)
- Dividing the outlay rates by the raw inflation indices
- Summing the results and dividing into 1

# SAF/FMC

[www.saffm.hq.af.mil](http://www.saffm.hq.af.mil) then click FMC  
tab

OR

<http://eschq.hanscom.af.mil/c2cost>

- click “References”
- then click “Inflation”

RDT&EN (Purchases)				Inflation Indices		Base Year:			
				Mid-FY2000					
FY	Inflation		Raw Index	Weighted Index	Outlay Profile				
	Rate %				YR1	YR2	YR3	YR4	YR5
90	4.0	0.821	0.840	54.36	33.88	7.91	1.32	2.53	100%
91	4.3	0.856	0.871	54.46	33.80	7.89	1.32	2.53	100%
92	2.8	0.880	0.896	47.73	38.80	9.06	1.51	2.90	100%
93	2.7	0.904	0.917	50.00	35.20	9.80	2.20	2.80	100%
94	2.0	0.922	0.934	51.77	34.45	8.97	1.20	3.61	100%
95	1.9	0.939	0.952	49.23	36.60	9.15	2.18	2.84	100%
96	2.0	0.958	0.968	50.90	38.69	6.31	2.34	1.76	100%
97	1.8	0.975	0.980	53.77	38.60	5.29	1.17	1.17	100%
98	0.7	0.982	0.987	53.30	38.41	5.25	1.17	1.87	100%
99	0.8	0.990	0.997	53.30	38.41	5.25	1.17	1.87	100%
00	1.0	1.000	1.009	53.30	38.41	5.25	1.17	1.87	100%
01	1.5	1.015	1.024	53.30	38.41	5.25	1.17	1.87	100%
02	1.5	1.030	1.040	53.30	38.41	5.25	1.17	1.87	100%
03	1.5	1.046	1.058	53.30	38.41	5.25	1.17	1.87	100%
04	2.0	1.067	1.079	53.30	38.41	5.25	1.17	1.87	100%
05	2.0	1.088	1.101	53.30	38.41	5.25	1.17	1.87	100%
06	2.0	1.110	1.123	53.30	38.41	5.25	1.17	1.87	100%

# When to Use Raw Indices

Convert Formula	Index to Use	
BY\$ of one yr to = \$BY(y) BY\$ of another yr	Raw	$[\$BY(x)/RI(x)]*RI(y)$
CY\$ of one yr to = \$CY(y) CY\$ of another yr	Raw	$[\$CY(x)/RI(x)]*RI(y)$
BY\$ of one yr to = \$CY(y) CY\$ of another yr	Raw	$[\$BY(x)/RI(x)]*RI(y)$
CY\$ of one yr to = \$BY(y) BY\$ of another yr	Raw	$[\$CY(x)/RI(x)]*RI(y)$

# When to Use Weighted Indices

Convert	Index to Use	Formula
BY\$ to TY\$	Weighted	$\$BY(x) * WI(y) = \$TY(y)$
TY\$ to BY\$	Weighted	$\$TY(x) / WI(x) = \$BY(y)$
CY\$ to TY\$	Weighted	$\$CY(x) * WI(y) = \$TY(y)$
TY\$ to CY\$	Weighted	$\$TY(x) / WI(x) = \$CY(y)$
TY\$ to TY\$ \$TY(y)	Weighted	$[\$TY(x) / WI(x)] * WI(y) =$

# Inflation in ACE

- ACE contains the official OSD, Air Force, Army, Navy, USMC, and NASA Raw and Weighted Indices for all APPNs.
- Dollars can be input in BY, CY or TY, and by Appropriation.
- ACE normalizes inputs to a designated BY.
- ACE generates reports displaying WBS elements phased by FY in both BY and TY dollars.

# Summary & Review

- Inflation Rates show the percentage change from the mid-point of one year to the mid-point of the next.
- “Dollars” should be defined as BY, CY or TY.
- Estimates for Program Requirements need to include inflation because inflation affects the Real Purchasing Power of Money. POM inputs, BES and TOA are always in Then Year (TY) Dollars.
- Use Weighted Indices to convert to or from TY dollars. Otherwise, use Raw Indices.
- Actuals from a catalog, CPR or CSSR are in CY dollars.
- Use the Raw/Weighted Indices from SAF/FMC.
- Any CY can be designated a BY. Each program has a single BY.